AMENDED CLAIMS

[received by the International Bureau on 16 May 2005 (16.05.2005) original claims 1, 4 and 7 replaced by amended claims of same number; all other claims, unchanged.]

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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A compound of the following formula:

RINH

A is not necessarily equal to C:

wherein R_1 , R_2 , R_3 and R_4 are independently selected from the group consisting of C_{2-4} hydroxyalkyl, C_{2-4} aminoalkyl, trifluoromethyl, pentafluoroethyl, phanyl, naphthyl, benzyl, biphenyl, phenethyl.

piperidinyl, methylpiperidinyl, ethylpiperidinyl, indenyl, 2,3-dihydroindenyl, C₄-C₇ cycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl, indoyl, methylindoyl, ethylindoyl, and substituted five-membered aromatic heterocyclic rings of the following formulas:

$$-(CH_2)_{\overline{n}}$$
 $N = 0, 1, 2$

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2. The compound according to claim 1, wherein:

$$A = -(CH_2)_n$$
, $n = 0, 1, 2;$
 $C = -(CH_2)_n$, $n = 0, 1, 2;$

A is not necessarily equal to C; and

3. The compound according to claim 1, wherein:

$$A = C = CH_2$$
 and $B = 0$.

4. The compound according to claim 2 or 3, wherein:

R₁ and R₄ are selected from the group consisting of hydroxyethyl, hydroxypropyl, hydroxybutyl, amino, aminoethyl, aminopropyl, aminobutyl, phenyl, anilino, hydroxyphenyl, and aminophenethyl;

R₂ and R₃ are selected from the group consisting of anilino, aminoanilino, phenethyl and hydroxyphenethyl

5. A compound selected from the group consisting of:

Compound No.

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- 6. The compound according to any one of claims 1 to 5, which can noncovalently bind to autibodies.
- 7. The compound according to any one of claims 1 to 4 which can noncovalently bind to antibodies wherein one, two, three or all of the subatituents R_1 , R_2 , R_3 , R_4 is

$$-(CH_2)_n$$
 $n=0, 1, 2.$

- 8. The compound according to claim 6 or 7 wherein the antibodies are at least of the human IgG isotype.
- 9. A composition comprised of at least one compound according to any one of claims 1 to 8, wherein said compound is combined with a pharmacoutically acceptable carrier.
- 10. The composition according to claim 9, wherein said carrier solubilizes said compound in an alcohol or polyol solvent.



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"STATEMENT UNDER ARTICLE 19(1)"

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Claim 1 is amended to better define R₁ to R₄.

Claim 4 is amended to introduce the word "and" before the last word of the claim.

Claim 7 is amended to remove the last, redundant, period ".".

Yours very truly,

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